

## City announces latest Dayton Recovery Plan investment

-\$500,000+ contract for demolition-related environmental work-

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The City of Dayton has announced the newest investment of Dayton Recovery Plan funds, following approval of contracts by the City Commission on April 26. A contract for \$519,750 in services was awarded to Turn-Key Environmental Consultants, Inc. Turn-Key will complete asbestos surveys in 500 structures slated for demolition through Dayton Recovery Plan funding. The City of Dayton will oversee the contract.

Funding for the project will be provided through the Dayton Recovery Plan's \$55 million Improving Our Neighborhoods initiative, which focuses on City-led and managed projects supporting healthier lifestyles through neighborhood revitalization. The Dayton Recovery Plan is a \$138 million framework for community COVID relief and investment for the future, made possible by the federal American Rescue Plan Act.

Turn-Key will provide asbestos surveys and post abatement verification inspection services, in accordance with Ohio EPA and Regional Air Pollution Control Agency regulations. If no asbestos is detected by the survey, demolition can proceed. If asbestos containing material is detected by a survey, removal and remediation much be undertaken by a third-party contractor before demolition can occur. Post-abatement, Turn-Key will conduct a second survey to ensure that all asbestos-containing materials have been removed.

"It is important to note that we must take a specific series of steps in the demolition process and that starts with the asbestos survey. The decision to select a property for demolition takes time and considers many factors," said Dayton Deputy Director of Planning, Neighborhoods, & Development Steve Gondol.

Turn-Key is a local Dayton small business with offices located at the Hub in the Dayton Arcade and has been certified as an Ohio Small Business Enterprise and Women Business Enterprise since 2017.

The Turn-Key contract is for environmental survey for properties that will be demolished with Dayton Recovery Plan funds only. The City of Dayton plans to demolish 655 structures with Dayton Recovery Plan funds (a portion of these structures have already had environmental surveys completed; another group of structures are fire-damaged or fire piles and cannot be surveyed). The DRP-funded demolitions are included in the City's plan to demolish approximately 1,100 structures, with additional funding coming from City general fund and federal Community Development Block Grant sources. The City is required to have separate contracts for each funding source and will issue separate requests for bids for each. The general fund and CDBG bid requests will be issued this summer.

## About the Dayton Recovery Plan

The Dayton Recovery Plan is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to address the infrastructure, economic and equity issues that exist in the city by using a data-driven approach to analyze socio-economic, health, and demographic data to make informed funding decisions. These investments directly impact minority communities disproportionately impacted by the pandemic and long-standing economic and social inequities in Dayton. The Dayton Recovery Plan is our city's innovative plan to utilize Dayton's share of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. The \$138 million award is the largest grant in Dayton's history. For a plan overview, go to daytonohio.gov/drp.

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